Statement of Problem

Bullying unfortunately has been around for centuries and was never taken serious. Now a days bullying has become a major issue within the schools. It is an unwanted repetitive behavior, which involves hitting, pushing, and verbal abuse. Bullying leads to many dangerous events. Some children become very depressed and even contemplate or commit suicide. For me the main problem is lack of awareness. Most schools don’t make it a priority until something big happens. Children tend not to see the big picture regarding bullying. They don’t see how it makes the other person feel. They only take joy in how superior it makes them feel.

According to Find youth info:

* Over half, about 56 percent, of all students have witnesses a bullying crime take place while at school.
* The majority of bullies are males, while victims are both females and males in equal proportion. (OJP 2011)
* There are about 160,000 children that miss school every day out of fear of being bullied.
* There are about 2.7 million students being bullied each year by about 2.1 students taking on the roll of the bully.
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* There are about 71 percent of students that report bullying as an on-going problem.
* Some of the top years for bullying include 4th through 8th graders in which 90 percent were reported as victims of some kind of bullying.

Research Hypothesis

Integrating anti bullying unit to a 3rd grade class of 30 students at P.S. X in Brooklyn N.Y. for forty minutes, three times a week for 4 weeks in the morning will decrease bullying and promote awareness.

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